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IN SENATE

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Introduced by Sen. WEBER -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Education

AN ACT to amend the education law, in relation to adjusting the regional cost index for state school aid with respect to the Hudson Valley region

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

1 Section 1. Subparagraph 2 of paragraph a of subdivision 4 of section
2 3602 of the education law, as amended by section 9-b of part CCC of
3 chapter 59 of the laws of 2018, is amended to read as follows:

4 (2) (A) The regional cost index shall reflect an analysis of labor
5 market costs based on median salaries in professional occupations that
6 require similar credentials to those of positions in the education
7 field, but not including those occupations in the education field,
8 provided that the regional cost indices for the two thousand seven--two
9 thousand eight school year [~~and thereafter~~] through the two thousand
10 twenty-four--two thousand twenty-five school year shall be as follows:

11	Labor Force Region	Index
12	Capital District	1.124
13	Southern Tier	1.045
14	Western New York	1.091
15	Hudson Valley	1.314
16	Long Island/NYC	1.425
17	Finger Lakes	1.141
18	Central New York	1.103
19	Mohawk Valley	1.000
20	North Country	1.000

21 (B) For the two thousand twenty-five--two thousand twenty-six school
22 year and thereafter the regional cost indices shall be as follows:

23	<u>Labor Force Region</u>	<u>Index</u>
24	<u>Capital District</u>	<u>1.124</u>

EXPLANATION--Matter in italics (underscored) is new; matter in brackets
[-] is old law to be omitted.

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9	§ 2. This act shall take effect immediately.	